Washington Girls Are Slow in Taking Advantage of Their Leap Year Privilege Hay's - Lair

Parties for Young Folks On Saint Valentine's Day

Readers of The Times who contem- on the back thereof, and thus have they plate holding St. Valentine Day parties have requested some suggestions

tion to a valentine party.

cklets.
The dining table was decorated pretically with real pink roses, the candles in the pink shades. At each place were to roses, a pink and a white, tied soely together with pink ribbon. In the heart of the pink rose was considered the guest card—a dainty pink entered on in gold. In the heart of the pink rose was concealed the favor—a title heart-shaped pin. The centerplece rose a large leed cake wreathed with

Intile beet hearts were concealed ingeniously among the lettuce salad. The ice cream was served in paper cases representing pink roses; tiny confectionery hearts were hidden in this. At the last, large goose eggs (imitation) were passed with a loop attached to one end. When the loops were pulled, stars came off, revealing an opening in the eggs, which were filled with heart-shaped bonbons. Mixed nuts were also passed, and the English walnuts were found to contain conundrums to be cracked. The walnuts had been opened, the meats extracted and little paper hearts on which were written the conundrums, inserted; then the shells were glued together.

But the climax of the evening was the announcement of the engagement of two of the guests, which came as a surprise to all, even the hostess. All agreed that they were adept at 'concealing hearts.'

THE PARTY.

There was the Greek key.

That is used at the back of the head, It pins the veil to the hair just above the neck.

The newer pin is an arrow set in the stones.

It is jauntily stuck through the front brim of the hat.

It's a mere trifle that proclaims a woman in touch with the newest fancies.

How to Look Slim

If you wish to look slim, do not dress in white or light-colored clothes.

Stripes are more becoming than spots or checks, but narrow checks may be worn.

Short skirts are becoming, but flowing draperies on the other hand, give grace.

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Two young ladies stood at the foot of the stairs and, as the guestz came down, slipped a loose ribbon necklace over the head of each. From these ribbons hung valentines, dainty in shape and size, forming a gay collar over coat or gown. The rooms were cleverly decorated with valentines, some forming festoons through the house, from one chandelier to another, some large ones hanging on the wall, like pictures, others standing along the card rail or draped about the doorways. Some of the inscriptions on the larger valentines were found to apply to some of the guests and excited and laughter. Presently, trays of cards were passed about, each one bearing this verse:

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A MODERN HOUSEHOLD.

The Cook—You have borrowed my savings, you wear my best hat when you go out, and I've only half enough to eat at that, so I'm going to leave.

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Pencils were tied to the cards and the count began. It was more difficult to find the correct number than at first it appeared to be, but the cards were soon given to the hostess, then counted by her assistants and the prize awarded. A shower of bonbons was an amusing feature of the evening. A gentleman was selected to pull a ribbon hanging from an inverted Japanese umbrella; this turned the umbrella over and a shower of bonbons, each wrapped in bright tissue or silver paper, fell upon the guests. When the dining room was opened, each lady found her place marked by half a valentine, with her name writen on it. The missing halves were presented to the men as they entered the room, and each man proceeded to find his place at the table next to the other half of his valentine. An immense vase in the center of the table contained a bouquet of all kinds of flowers. The effect was beautiful. A knot of violets lay beside each plate, and the articles of food were of pretty tints, but, aside from the place cards, there were no valentines in sight in the dining room. It takes a clever hostest time and place.

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The old-time game of archery makes a pretty way of finding one's partner on this special day of Cupid's: Have a number of small red hearts arranged on a large circle of white paper stretched over a hoop which is to serve for the mark. Just the tips of the hearts can be pasted, the rest left loose. Let each man in turn try his luck at shooting a toy arrow through one of the hearts until all have done so. If one man hits the same heart as another, he has another trial until he captures one not yet pierced. When each one's success has been recorded by the hostess writing his initials on the heart, it can be announced that a lady's name is written FANCIES FOR ST. VALENTINE'S DAY.

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Ties have requested some suggestions for such affairs.

Below are given some suggestions for delightful little gatherings for young folks:

CONCEALED HEARTS.
One day, a week previous to February 14, a dainty little maid left at our door a beautiful pink rose and vanished without making any explanations. When we lifted the rose, out fell a little paper heart on which was written an invita-A CUPID'S PIE.

AN EVENING "CHERRY TREE" MERRY

each guest can draw forth their gut from "Cupid's Pie."

On the night of the party the home of our hostess was beautifully decorated with pink crepe paper roses, which looked like the real ones—but there was not a heart visible. After all the guests had a seather a postman appeared on the scene and presented each guest with an envelope bearing his or her name. When opened, these large envelopes were found to contain smaller ones decorated with pink roses done in water colors, and on these were inscribed laughable verses descriptive of their intended partners for the evening. These verses ended with this line: "If you cannot guess from this, lood "If you cannot guess from this, lood" if you cannot guess from this, lood "If you cannot guess from the hin white his." The hostess then said, "There are fourteen heart's concealed in this room, and to the ones who can describe the places where they are concealed with small bombons. Tall brass for the mouth the search had commenced. Presently a young man ammounced a "lind" in a lovely vuse on the mantelpiece, and then the hunt began to be exciting. Every nook and corner was gone over, but no one could be found, and all were ready to give up a pretty love story for a prize." Before the words were well out of her mouth the search had commenced. Presently a young man ammounced a "lind" in a lovely vuse on the mantelpiece, and then the hunt began to be exciting. Every nook and corner was gone over, but no one could be found, and all were ready to give up a pretty love story for a prize." Before the words were well out of her mouth the search had commenced, presently a young man ammounced a "lind" in a lovely vuse on the mantelpiece, and then the hunt began to be exciting. Every nook and corner was gone over, but no one could be found, and all were ready to give up a pretty love and the proper cannot guest the proper cannot guest for his proper cannot guest. This is a round ball of house and the twelve guests, herself included. Amidst the laughter that followed all wonderved

A New Veil Pin

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to eat at that, so I'm going to leave.

Mistress-Why, I told you that we should treat you as a member of the family.—Transatlantic Tales.

It's Leap Year! Pshaw! List to the Lament of The Poor Old Maid



Seven More Brides in January, 1907, Than Last Month. And This Is Supposed to Be

Leap Year.

Fling back at the almanac all this talk about Leap Year and woman's long-sought opportunity to do the proposing.

She's not doing it. If she is, man is working the Dorsey Foultz game and other things, during this cold

to showing up just how Washington women are daily letting slip the golden pportunities of Leap Year. This is what he wrote, here's the ery note: "Two hundred and seventy-

ight licenses were issued in January, 1907, just an ordinary, man's year. "Only 269 were issued in January, 1908, the first Leap Year in four years, and supposed to be a year of priceless pre-rogative and unlimited opportunity to he old maid, the coy maid, the widow, and the otherwise desolate."

All of which means that Washingon women have overstept a month of this precious time or that Washington men have gotten up early and stayed out late in order to avoid the complications of matrimonial offers. There are other explanations, of course, but what's the use. The marlage license clerk has the figures and

explain it. He merely stands beind the records of his office. Thereire, The Times matrimonial reporter
is selected two explanations from the
esumed leap year beneficiaries themlives. They are presented herewith.
ike your choice.

Maggie Ding at, in charge of iss Maggie Dinglat, in charge of ribbon counter, opines as follows: it's this way. Men ain't goin' to a trouble no more than they'd break will. Ninety-nine women out of a dred wouldn't propose to 'em any, but they're 'fraid of the other one, ydon't give a woman a chanct, and as soon as a giri begins to roll eyes sorter upward, dying calf like, y've got business down town. They it' propose themselves, either, for you've been refused by some other n. Leap year? It makes more old

and clinging effects are sought after. exercise crave sugar, and it is one of the general silhouette must be long the most important articles in the and slender. The sheer stuffs are still, in mountain climber's pack, which many cases, put into the waistband with perhaps explain the supremacy of Swiss of dragging them down in the proper need a great deal of it, but, on the lines being intrusted to heavy bottom other hand, women who have sedentary

Sugar and Physical Exercise

All persons taking violent muscular onsiderable fullness, the responsibility chocolate. Children, naturally active trimmings.

The underskirt, or foundation, must be in soft satin or silk, cut and fitted in the approved sheath-skirt fashion, so that the sheer stuff will assume the proper fold when weighted.

occupations should take very little, as it will increase the weight. As a matter of fact, sugar is nearly pure carbon, and such a fat producer is needed only, as before said, where heavy physical exertion is the rule.





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